Cost of Living Index in Harihar.

Q.—2. **Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN** (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the basis on which the cost of living Index Number for Harihar Town has been computed;

(*b*) the details of Family Budget (working-class) adopted for the said town and the base year taken into account;

(*c*) why the number representing house rent is shown at a constant figure of 100 over the past several years though there has been an appreciable increase in the house rents at Harihar?

A.—**Sri T. SUBRAMANYA** (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) The consumer Price Index figures of the working class in Harihar are computed on the basis of the results of the survey of Family Budget Enquiry into the Working Class conducted by the Labour Department during September, 1949 to March, 1950.

(*b*) The area and the industries covered at the time were:—

(*i*) The Mysore Kirloskar Ltd., Harihar (Engineering).

(*ii*) Bharat Oil Mills (Food and Drinking).

Area covered:—

1. Puttur Village.
2. Amaravathi Village.
3. Hobshal Village.
4. Gannarasi Village.
5. Kavallatti Village.

Further details of the enquiry are given in the statement appended. The base year taken into account was 1936.

(*c*) Of the nine centres in old Mysore State in which the Consumer Price Index figures are constructed by the Labour Department, only at Bangalore, Mysore and the Kolar Gold Fields area, any change in the house rent will be taken into account by conducting a resurvey of house rent twice a year. But in the other centres, it was taken as constant there will be no appreciable change in this item. It could be seen from the 123 sampled families (*vide* the statement appended) that 86 families were not paying any rent and only 37 families were paying rent.

STATEMENT GIVING DETAILS OF THE FAMILY BUDGET

The enquiry has covered not only the families residing in the localities where the majority of the workers lived but also others who were scattered within a radius of about two miles from the location of the industry. Details covered under the enquiry are indicated below:

Total Labour	... ...	910
Families covered	... ...	821
Samples proposed	... ...	123
Samples studies	... ...	123

Information collected was for the most recent month, *i.e.*, one month prior to that enquiry.

Income Group / *Income level*		*No. of Families.*
Up to Rs. nP.	Per month	Rs.
40 0	... ...	... 32
41 0	to 05 0 ...	... 23
51 0	to 60 0 ...	... 23
61 0	to 70 0 ...	... 22
71 0	and above ...	... 23
	Total ...	123

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It can be seen that number of samples are nearly evenly distributed between the different income groups of the familes at Harihar.

Composition of the Family

		Rs.	nP.
Men	... ...	1	60
Women	... ...	1	59
Children	... ...	1	74
Total	...	4	93

EARNERS AND DEPENDANTS

Average number of persons per family	*Average No. of earners per family*	*Percentage of Col. 2 to Col. 1*
4.93	1.28	25.9

Their particulars :—

Up to Rs. p.m.	
40 0	1.00
41 0 to 50	1.13
51 0 to 60	1.13
61 0 to 70	1.64
71 0 and above	1.65
Average of all income	1.28

Average income of the Family at Different Levels.

Income Range	*Total income*	*Monthly Expenditure*
Rs.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Up to 40 p.m.	36 6 10	41 15 6
41 to 50	44 5 4	50 0 5
51 to 60	56 0 8	59 4 9
61 to 70	64 14 0	66 15 10
71 and above	74 0 0	75 15 11
Average	53 11 0	57 9 0

SUMMARY OF THE EXPENDITURE

Sl. No.	*Group*	*Total Expenditure*	*Percentage of Expenditure*
		Rs. a. p.	
1	Food	33 10 5	58.4
2	Fuel and Lighting	3 15 3	6.9
3	Clothing	5 14 8	10.3
4	House Rent	1 5 9	2.4
5	Miscellaneous	12 10 11	22.0
	Total ...	57 9 0	100.0

Income	*Expenditure*	*Difference*
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
53 11 0	57 9 0	3 14 0

Literacy.—	Rs.
Literates	80 (65%)
Illiterates	43 (35%)
	253

RENT

Number of Families in different Income Groups.

Familes paying	*Up to Rs.* 40	*Up to Rs.* 41—50	*Up to Rs.* 51—60	*Up to Rs.* 61 *to* 70	*Up to Rs.* 71 *and above*	*Total*
No rent p.m.	25	16	16	18	11	86
Rs. 1 to 2	1	...	...	...	...	1
Rs. 2 to 3	...	...	1	1	...	3
Rs. 3 to 4	2	2	1	1	1	7
Rs. 4 to 5	4	2	1	1	4	12
Rs. 5 to 6	...	...	...	1	3	4
Rs. 6 and above	...	3	3	...	4	10
Total ...	32	23	23	22	23	133

Withdrawal of jeep Facility to the Assistant Commissioner for Labour, Plantation Division, Chikmagalur.

Q.—3. Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the facility of the use of a Jeep given to the Assistant Commissioner of Labour, Plantation Division, Chickmagalur, has been withdrawn ;

(*b*) whether, as consequence, there is a complaint from the trade unions and workmen of inadequate and delayed implementation of the various enactments ?

A.—Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) Yes.
(*b*) No.

Revised Scales of pay to the Teachers in the Institutions run by the K.G.F. Sanitary Board.

Q.—4. Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Kolar Gold Field Sanitary Board has implemented the G.O. regarding the revised Scales of Pay of Teachers of the Educational Institutions under its control ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the said Board has so far not paid the arrears of salary due in accordance with the revised scales of pay ?

A.—Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) Yes.
(*b*) No.